



QUARTERLY NEWS

M-71/STREETSCAPE

Late spring of this year is the scheduled start date for the M-71/Streetscape project. According to officials, the repaving of streets and the renovation of downtown Corunna should take approximately six months.

On March 21, representatives from the Michigan Department of Transportation held an open house at City Hall to inform residents and business owners what to expect from the upcoming construction.

According to MDOT, getting around and through downtown could be a challenge if residents do not plan ahead. Two lanes of Shiawassee St. are scheduled to be open at all times for traffic, however, there will be traffic delays. Also, side streets onto Shiawassee St. may be closed at times as repairs and resurfacing are completed.

Parking for downtown will be available in the back of most downtown businesses with back entrances available for customers. Parking will also be allowed along side streets three blocks east or west of Shiawassee St. during this time.

The Shiawassee St. bridge will not be closed during the M-71/Streetscape construction. Repairs to the bridge are now scheduled to take place in 2001 with the probability that one lane will stay open on the bridge during its repair.

Included with this newsletter is a brochure which describes the changes being made to M-71 and downtown Corunna. It also has a map showing the areas affected by the construction.



Lighting planned for the downtown streetscape

YOUTH T-BALL/BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SIGNUP

Sign-up for the Corunna Parks and Recreation 2000 Summer Baseball and Softball youth leagues is scheduled for April 25, 26 and 27 at the McCurdy Park Community Center from 6-8 p.m. Forms can be picked up ahead of time at any Corunna School or at Corunna City Hall.

Registration fees are \$30.00 (non-refundable) for each of the first two (2) students. For each additional student the fee is \$20.00 (non-refundable). Each student will receive a team shirt and hat.

Registration forms and fees must be returned to Corunna City Hall, Department of Parks & Recreation, 402 N. Shiawassee St., Corunna, by 4:30 p.m., April 28, 2000. Registration forms and fees will be accepted after this time, but a late fee of \$10.00 will be charged.

For questions the about baseball/softball sign-up.

T-BALL For boys & girls, must be five by 12/1/99 and/or remain six until 8/1/00.

MIDGET LEAGUE BASEBALL For boys, must be seven by 8/1/99 or remain eight until 8/1/00.

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL For boys, must be nine by 8/1/99 or remain ten until 8/1/00.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL For boys, must be eleven by 8/1/99 or remain twelve until 8/1/00.

JR. PONY LEAGUE BASEBALL For boys, must be thirteen by 8/1/99 or remain fourteen until 8/1/00. This is a traveling team.

PONY LEAGUE BASEBALL For boys, must be fifteen by 8/1/99 and may play until their eighteenth birthday.

GIRL'S YOUTH SOFTBALL Must be seven by 8/1/99 or remain nine until 8/1/00.

GIRL'S JR. SOFTBALL Must be ten by 8/1/99 or remain twelve until 8/1/00.

GIRL'S SR. SOFTBALL Must be thirteen by

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LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Corunna Public Library will be holding its annual Children's Summer Reading program beginning June 5, 2000. The theme for the eight week event is "Treasure Your Library". Children preschool age through third grade will earn prizes for every ten books they read or that they have read to them. Children in fourth grade and above will receive prizes for every 500 pages they read. Participants can visit the library to register for the program beginning June 5th.

Also this summer, the Corunna Library has two special performances scheduled. The first, on June 21 at 3:30 p.m., features "Baffling Bill Schulert". His show, "Search for Magic", includes amazing magical mysteries, hilarious antics and "Gus the Bunny". The magical effects will emphasize the fun and importance of reading.

The second special performance is with Steveanna Roose, a professional storyteller. She will present "Pirates & Plovers and Stories All Over" on July 20 at 3:00 p.m. Those attending will meet Blackbeard the Pirate and other puppet friends as they share tales of the high seas. Both shows take place at the Corunna Library and are free of charge.

SIDING YOUR HOUSE?

If you are planning to put siding on your house, or do any work to your home that involves moving the water meter, the Department of Public Works asks that you notify the city offices before you start. The water department can upgrade the water meter to a new touch pad, if that has not been done yet, and check the function of the meter after the siding work has been completed.

REMINDERS FROM THE CORUNNA POLICE DEPARTMENT

There is no parking on any street in the city limits of Corunna between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Also, vehicles are not to park so that they are blocking sidewalks at any time. Parked cars on the street must face in the direction of traffic.

Yard sale, for sale, and construction signs cannot be placed in the right of way (area between the sidewalk and the street) or attached to trees in the right of way. Signs cannot be attached to any utility pole.

To reach an on-duty Corunna city police officer or a Dept. of Public Works employee after normal business hours, for a non-emergency call, phone 743-3411. In an emergency, dial 911.

According to Corunna City Code, dogs cannot be allowed to annoy neighbors with loud, frequent, or habitual barking, yelping, or howling. Dogs must be under the control, either on a leash or by oral command, of its owner or custodian at all times unless on private property.

The city does not allow curbside pickup of garbage. Garbage containers must be placed as near to the back entrance of the residence as possible, except where an alley runs behind the house. In that case, refuse containers can be placed by the alley for pickup. Containers must be returned to the same place by the refuse company after emptying.

ATTENTION TAXPAYERS

Just a reminder that if you have not paid your city taxes for 1999, they can now only be paid at the Shiawassee County Treasurer's Office, located on the second floor of the County Courthouse, 208 N. Shiawassee. Phone 517-743-2224 for more information.



Happenings in the Park



Once again, as the weather warms up, McCurdy Park springs to life with activities for the young and not so young.

The Annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and Easter Egg Hunt takes place in McCurdy Park on April 22. The all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage breakfast will be served from 8-10 a.m. Prices are: ages five and under free, ages six to twelve-\$2.50, ages 13 to adult, \$5.00.



At 10:30 a.m., the McCurdy Park Easter Egg Hunt will start. Hunting areas will be designated by ages and monitored by the Corunna High School Honor Society. Participants will hunt for colored plastic eggs containing candy and certificates for prizes.

On April 22, **The ReelKids Theater Troup** is sponsoring a sock hop at the Community Center from 9 p.m.-12:00 a.m. ReelKids is a children's dramatic group which meets at the Community Center. Advance tickets are \$9.00 a couple, \$6.00 for singles and can be purchased by calling Chris Lepard at 288-0559 or Pam Hazel at 723-6412. At the door, tickets are \$10.00 a couple and \$7.00 for singles.

The Annual Michigan Bird and Game Breeders Show will take place in the Commercial Building on April 22. Over 150 area breeders will be in the park to buy and sell stock.

Keep April 28, 29 and 30th open to attend the **Annual Home Builders Show** in the Commercial Building. Area businesses will be in attendance to show the newest building and remodeling products for your home.

On May 13, the M.S.U. Extension Office will hold a **Health Fair** in the Commercial Building. Health officials will check blood pressure, cholesterol and blood sugar levels as well as give valuable health information. Admission is free.

The Cancer Society's Relay for Life will take place in McCurdy Park on May 20-21. For more information, call Phil Heavilin at 800-513-9930 or e-mail him at pheavili@cancer.org

Starting May 17, a series of **free concerts** will take place once a month during the summer at the Grandstand. These concerts are brought to you by the Corunna Parks and Recreation Commission. The scheduled concerts are:

May 17-Rich Eddy's Oldies Band, 7 p.m.

**June 21-Range Rovers & Clarkson
Country Band, 7 p.m.**

July 19-Clarkson Gospel Group, 7 p.m.

The August concert will be announced at a later date. A refreshment booth will be available and a free will offering will be taken during the concert.

Call Gary Schooley at 743-3650 for more information about any of these upcoming events in McCurdy Park.